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YES ZONING - NO PUBLIC BATH HOUSES SAY C. OF C. OPEN MEETING

Resolutions in favor of zoning and against erection of public bathhouses were passed at the open meeting of the Chamber of Commerce Thursday evening. Dean Arthur W. Tarbell was defeated in his effort to have the meeting go on record as favorable to the bathhouse proposal. Voting on the separate issue of the further acquisition of beach land by the town, the meeting went on record as in favor of the purchase of "reasonable" amounts of additional land.

President Robert W. McNeece of the Chamber of Commerce discussed the matter of "Dogutification and cyosores" and explained that the Chamber of Commerce was investigating the possibility of removing the scow on Morris Island. Main suggestion made was one for the placing of receptacles for refuse at strategic points.

Captain Oscar C. Nickerson denied what he called misinformation that has been circulated in the town. "There has been no reductions in mosquito control or its activities" declared Captain Nickerson.

Other matters brought up at the meeting included the soil erosion, the woodtick, and the traffic problem. The group agreed that some zoning measures should be passed but several speakers criticized the last zoning proposal put before the town. One speaker suggested that the Chamber should investigate the possibility of bringing professional men, such as dentists, into the town for part time work. Chamber officials said that all suggestions and criticisms put before the meeting shwould be investigated.

COTUIT ACCIDENT

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Cotuit, Mass., Aug. 15. (Special to the Chatham Chatter)

On the afternoon of Friday, the eighth of August, Helen Danforth, while speeding through the narrow strip of water between Codman's point and Dead Neck Island in Cotuit Harbor, collided with a row-boat containing two small boys, Robert Scott and Robert Savory, who were out for an afternoon of fishing. One of the boys, Robert Scott, was killed by the impact, while Robert Savory was badly scared and escaped with only a fearful memory of the accident. The people of Cotuit have long been accustomed to motor-boats speeding through this and other narrow passages, and complaints have often been made of this matter. con.p.

AN EXHIBITION OF BRITISH & AMERICAN DOCUMENTS HAVING TO DO WITH THE FIGHT FOR FREEDOM BY THE PEOPLES OF THE WORLD WILL BE HELD AT THE LIBRARY THIS WEEK. PROF. ELIZABETH REYNARD IS THE SPONSOR.

LINCOLN'S SPEECH TO ENGLAND

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Following is the text of the speech of Joseph C. Lincoln made over WRUL, Boston, on the Chatham, USA to Chatham, England broadcast Thursday.

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Our Chatham, here on the sandy peninsula of Cape Cod, in the United States of America, is a small town. Its population is approximately 2000 during the winter months and possibly three times that during July and August when the summer cottages and hotels are opened and the vacationists come here from the cities to spend their holidays along its surf-washed beaches or amid its pine groves an d low, rolling hills. A pleasant, quiet, well-ordered New England community, its modest homes preserving the tradition of self-respecting trimness and tidiness inherited from our forebears who came here from Old England three hundred years ago.

A small town and, except to us who live here and love it, a not very important town. So to you, our kinsfolk across the sea, this message of good will and understanding, this expression of sincere friendship and determination to help, by every spiritual and material means in our limited power, can hardly, of itself, be of great importance, either. But, perhaps, considered as one more drop in the great ocean of such expression of good will and determination which is flooding America now, this word from our little town of Chatham may have some importance. Considering the fact th at, at this very moment, the people of thousands - tens of thousandss of towns and cities in this country are whole-heartedly behind Great Britain in its struggle to keep this world a place where a human being may call his soul his own - are hoping with you, sorrowing with you, working for you - why, then, even this greeting from a Cape Cod village may be worthwhile, as a very modest addition to the whole. We should like you to accept it as the message of one more American group, whose beliefsand standards are yours, whose hearts and hands and pocketbooks are busy for your welfare. They are busy now and they will continue to be till autocracy is trampled into the mud and free men breathe freely again.

To the greater Chatham over there our little Chatham pledges itself as "all out for England".

Items of INTEREST

The next meeting of the Chatham Grange will be held on September 2nd. At the meeting members will view the annual Harvest Exhibit and Hobby Show.

Mr. Ralph H. Whiting of Harwich, has presented the Sea Scout Troup with a Quincy catboat named the S. S. Piconon.

Among visitors to Chatham this week were Congressman E. Harold Cluett of New York, Mr. Mark Hanna, grandson of the famous political leader under President McKinley, Mr. H. A. Hatogh of Forest Hills, L.I. who were in Holland five days after the German conquest.

The house to house canvas of the U.S.O. drive is continuing. Captains have been appointed for the 13 Chatham areas. The quota for t campaign is $850.

The Central Cape Kiwanis Club will participate in the Elks' Defense Parade to be held in Hyannis August 31.

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Ladies Circle

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The Ladies Circle of Industry of the South Chatham Methodist Church reports a successful summer of activities. Over $200 has been raised with four baked bean suppers and food and fancy work sale. Mrs. L.W.D. Eldridge, Pres. announces that work on 3 quilts will begin in December. One of these will be prepared for the annual Christmas sale.

COTUIT ACCIDENT

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The people of Cotuit reacted quickly. On the day after the accident most of them assembled at Henry Robbin's oyster house. There was much talk of imposing a definite speed limit within such narrow passages. There has also been talk of patrolling the waters. It is hard to say at this early date what will be done. But the unanimous feeling of all inhabitants of Cotuit is that there is plenty of ocean for all, and that if people wish to speed they must pick a safe place in which to do it.

All are resolved that Cotuit must not lose its reputation for a safe harbor through a similar accident.

G. C. Henderson

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Monday, August 25
11:15 Chapel in the Sky
11:30 Meet Your Neighbor
2:00 Ralph Stuar & his Orchestra
4:05 Provincetown Advocate News
7:30 Dots and Dashes

Tuesday, August 26
11:30 Cape Cod Library Progress
11:45 Songs of Many Lands
1:30 Half & Half
4.05 Wellfleet on the Air
8:45 Books and Authors
8:30 Cape Cod Town Meeting
9:15 Symphonic Hour

Wednesday, August 27
11:15 Chapel in the Sky
11:30 Meet Your Neighbor
11:45 Front Page Drama
1:45 Life and the Land
4:05 Harwich Independent News
8:05 U.S. Army Program from Camp Edwards.
8:45 Ralph Lawton, Concert Pianist
9:15 Symphonic Hour

Thursday, August 28
11:15 South American Way
11:45 Harmony Hall
1:30 Half and Half
2:30 Ray Borden's Orchestra
2:45 Rambling Rhythms
4:05 THE CHATHAM CHATTER NEWS
7:30 Barnstable Patriot News

Marine Items

Patty Tighe was the winner in the Ladies Race at the Stage Harbor Yacht Club Friday afternoon. Enid Fessenden was second and Mrs W.P. Fuller third.

In the postponed Ladies' Race Monday afternoon Laura Cobb was in first place.